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## 9th Strategic Reconnaissance Wing

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
6-8 Jan	Lt Gen John J. Murphy flew orientation flights in both the SR-71 and U-2.
15 Jan	The 9th Wing's SR-71B trainer flew its <sup>1000th</sup> <del>100th</del> sortie.
29 Jan	Operating Location Olympic Fire (OL-OF) became operational at Patrick AFB, Florida flying the U-2R.
6-9 Feb	The Honorable Robert K. Dornan, Congressman from the 27th California District flew an orientation flight in the SR-71.
10 Feb	The second TR-1 arrived at Beale for pilot training in the 4029th SRTS.
24 Feb	Col David G. Young, 9SRW Commander accepted the Riverside Trophy for the Outstanding Unit in Fifteenth Air Force for 1981; the Outstanding Reconnaissance Wing of the Year Award for 1981 in Fifteenth Air Force; and the Outstanding Reconnaissance Crew of the Year Award in Fifteenth Air Force for 1981. Ceremonies took place at March AFB, California.
5 Mar	The 9th and 100th Wings participated in a joint Short Sprint readiness exercise.
15 Mar	Page Construction Company completed two TR-1 shelters on the Beale flight line.
16-19 Mar	Lt Gen George D. Miller, Vice Commander in Chief of SAC flew SR-71 and U-2 orientation flights.
5 Apr	The British government publicly announced the permanent beddown of a 9th Wing SR-71 at RAF Mildenhall, UK.

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7-10 April	Maj Gen Louis C. Buckman, HQ SAC Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations took orientation flights in the U-2CT and SR-71B.
12 April	Brig Gen Jesse S. Hocker, 14th Air Division Commander, received a U-2CT orientation flight.
16 April	The Joint Chiefs of Staff decided to continue Operating Location - OF at Patrick AFB, Florida indefinitely.
22 April	Lt Gen John J. Murphy presented SSgt Michael K. Unruh with the 1981 SAC Maintenance Man of the Year Award.
3-7 May	The 14th Air Division conducted a 9th SRW Staff Assist Visit which found that the Wing satisfactorily performed its mission
7-9 May	A 9th Wing SR-71 deployed to Andrews AFB, Maryland for static display.
11-13 May	Lt Gen Robert T. Herres, the Eighth Air Division Commander, flew an orientation flight in the U-2CT.
14 May	Lt Col Donald R. Schreiber assumed command of the 4029th SRTS from Lt Col Gardner D. Krumrey who retired.
14 May	The 9th Wing took possession of its third TR-1.
15-16 May	An SR-71 deployed to Fairchild AFB, Washington for a static display.
22 May	A 9th Wing aircraft had a major mishap at a forward operating location.
1 June	The new SAC FRAG Order 60-82-17-02, Olive Harvest removed the security classification from the Detachment 3 existence.
2-4 June	A 9th Wing SR-71 performed a static display at Malmstrom AFB, Montana.
2-5 June	General Lew Allen U.S. Air Force Chief of Staff received an orientation flight in the SR-71B.

3 June           The 9th SRW requested HQ SAC manning assistance for the Detachment 4 SR-71 operation.

10-11 June       The 9th SRW and 100th AREFW conducted a joint base-wide mobility exercise.

18 June          Faculty and students of the French Air War College visited Beale AFB for a 9th Wing Orientation.

24 June          Wing maintenance technicians found unidentified foreign object damage (FOD) in an SR-71 engine.

26 June          The 9th Wing participated in the annual Beale open house at which the U.S. Navy Blue Angels performed.

28 June          A T-38, tail number 212 received a new wing bringing the fleet of 14 T-38's to operational status.

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2 Jul	Lt Col Wilbur F. Furr, Jr. replaced Lt Col James E. Wrenn as 99 SRW commander when Colonel Wrenn became assistant deputy commander for operations.
3-5 Jul	An SR-71 took part in the Malmstrom AFB, Montana open house.
9-12 Jul	The 9th Wing deployed on SR-71 and a U-2C to Offutt AFB, Nebraska for static display.
12 Jul	The U-2C on display at Offutt AFB, Nebraska, the last active C-model was retired for permanent display at Offutt.
15-23 Jul	The 9th SRW took part in the major SAC exercise, Global Shield 1982. Participation was limited to battle staff inputs.
15-17 Jul	Beale AFB held a joint 9th and 100th Wing Short Sprint exercise in conjunction with Global Shield 82.
16-18 Jul	The 9th Wing deployed a team to Mountain Home AFB, Idaho to recover an air aborted SR-71.
26 Jul	Mr William J. Casey, Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, commended the 9th Wing and Detachment 3 for special mission support.
29 Jul	Col Thomas S. Pugh replaced Col David G. Young as 9 SRW commander; Col Lonnie L. Liss moved from Deputy Commander for Operations to 9 SRW vice commander.
23-26 Jul	A wing recovery team deployed to Minot AFB, North Dakota to prepare an aborted SR-71 for its return to Beale.
26-28 Jul	An SR-71 flying from Beale AFB participated in the U.S. Navy's FLEETEX 82 naval exercise.
29 Jul	Col Adolphus H. Bledsoe, Jr. assumed the position of Deputy Commander for Operations.

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31 Jul The 9th SRW maintenance complex received an overall excellent rating in the wing's bi-monthly Maintenance Standardization and Evaluation Program (MSEP) evaluation.

3 Aug The 9th SRW U-2 inventory changed.

5-7 Aug A team recovered an air aborted SR-71 from Mountain Home AFB, Idaho.

6 Aug A major change in the maintenance complex saw Lt Col James C. Baker move from the 9th OMS to assistant deputy commander for maintenance; Maj Kevin F. Hegarty moved from 9 AMS commander to 9 OMS commander; Maj Thomas J. Souther replaced Major Hegarty as 9 AMS commander.

10-12 Aug The 14th Air Division conducted a staff assist visit to the 9th SRW.

12 Aug The Wing experienced an aircraft mishap at Beale AFB.

12-16 Aug A 9th Wing SR-71 and a new TR-1 appeared at the March AFB, California open house.

17-19 Aug Brig Gen Jesse S. Hocker completed an SR-71B orientation flight.

18-26 Aug The 9th SRW Intelligence deputation conducted a staff assist visit to Detachment 1, Iadana AB, Japan.

27-30 Sep Fifteenth Air Force conducted a staff assist visit of the 9th Wing with a facilities inspection.

28 Aug Congressman Robert K. Dornan, 27th District of California flew a U-2CT orientation flight.

31 Aug Gen Charles A. Gabriel, USAF Chief of Staff presented Capt Larry E. Faber, a 99th SRS pilot, with the Koren Kolligian Trophy for 1982.

31-2 Sep A recovery team from Beale AFB deployed to Malmstrom AFB, Montana to prepare an air aborted SR-71 for its return to Beale.

2-6 Sep A new 9th Wing TP-1 travelled to the Farnborough Air Show in the United Kingdom.

3-6 Sep The 9th deployed an SR-71 and support team to Toronto, Canada for the international air show.

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7 Sep Detachment 3 completed a major backup power conversion project.

13 Sep The Air Forces Human Resources Laboratory delivered the U-2 cockpit procedures trainer, the first of its kind, to Beale AFB.

20 Sep Lt Col George W. Chumbley replaced Lt Col Phillip Bostur as Deputy Commander for Intelligence on Colonel Bostur's retirement.

20 Sep Lt Col Willard N. Satterwhite, Jr. replaced Lt Col Keith G. Findley as 9th FMS commander.

22 Sep The Honorable Edward C. Aldridge, Undersecretary of the Air Force completed an SR-71B orientation flight.

24 Sep Mr Hal McCormick, an Air Force Art Program member, presented the 9th SRW with a 4 by 6 foot painting of the SR-71 in flight.

28 Sep The 9th SRW in conjunction with the 100th AREFW forwarded to 14th Air Division a proposal to consolidate the two units into a single large reconnaissance wing.

30 Sep The maintenance deputation received a satisfactory rating on the August-September MSEP evaluation.

30 Sep The 9th SRW obligated 99.6 percent of the 9.8 million dollar FY82 budget.

The Wing had assigned totals of 227 officers, 2043 enlisted airmen, and 35 Department of the Air Force Civilians. Of the total 2,305 assigned personnel, 237 were on temporary duty assignments.

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1-8 Oct	Headquarters SAC conducted an Operational Readiness Inspection and Management Effectiveness Inspection of the 9th SRW with satisfactory results.
1 Oct	Aircrew authorizations increased in the 1st SRS (by 1) and 99th SRS (by 4).
1 Oct	Headquarters SAC activation of the 17th Reconnaissance Wing at RAF Alconbury, UK, had some effects on the 9th SRW.
7 Oct	Detachment 3 conducted a special communications test.
7 Oct	Detachment 1 completed a special higher headquarters mission.
9 Oct	A detachment 4 U-2 on a higher headquarters mission experienced an unusual incident.
19-20 Oct	An Electronic Countermeasures meeting at Palmdale, Ca., resulted in changes to 9th Wing operating procedures
19-22 Oct	Detachment 2 underwent an excellent Hq SAC Maintenance Standardization and Evaluation Team Inspection.
21 Oct	The 9th SRW accepted the first U-2 and TR-1 cockpit procedures trainer from the Air Force Human Resources Laboratory.
25 Oct	Britain's Prince Charles became the first royalty to sit in an SR-71 on a visit to RAF Mildenhall, UK, and Detachment 4.
25-27 Oct	U.S. Representative Robert E. Badham, 40th California District received a U-2CT orientation flight.
31 Oct	Brig. Gen. Jesse S. Hocker led a 14th Air Division staff assistance visit to Detachment 2.

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31 Oct	Detachment 2 completed a successful test phase of a new reconnaissance system.
1 Nov	The 99th SRS aircraft inventory changed.
1-5 Nov	The Hq SAC Logistics Readiness Team inspected the 9SRW maintenance complex and uncovered some management problems.
1-11 Nov	The 1st Combat Evaluation Group (CEVG) inspected the 9SRW Standardization and Evaluation Division with excellent results.
1 Nov	Headquarters Tactical Air Command agreed to support the reassignment of one pilot per year to the 9th Wing's reconnaissance program.
2 Nov	The Beale AFB Facilities Board approved construction of a flightline ramp extension with six TR-1 shelters on the new ramp and a new U-2 shelter in the present U-2 area.
3-5 Nov	Lt Gen Andrew P. Iosue, the Air Force Deputy Chief of Staff for Manpower and Personnel visited Beale for briefings and an SR-71B orientation flight.
5 Nov	The 9th Wing developed a new mission track for a special government tasking at Operating Location - OF.
9 Nov	Col Thomas S. Pugh, the 9th SRW Commander, recommended a number of organizational changes to the Fifteenth AF consolidation proposal.
11 Nov	The 9th SRW deployed an SR-71 to Detachment 1 on a Busy Relay sortie.
16-17 Nov	The 9th Wing sponsored a Senior Staff Officers Orientation Course for selected government officials.
18 Nov	Beale AFB conducted a Contingency Mobility Exercise that received an excellent rating.
24 Nov	Colonel Pugh forwarded to 14th Air Division justification to maintain a full colonel Deputy Commander for Intelligence.

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1 Dec Detachment 4 became involved in noise complaints from British residents.

5-6 Dec The Ground Data Intelligence Processing Staff of the Defense Intelligence Agency visited the 9th Wing for a mission orientation.

7 Dec A 9th Wing SR-71 participated in a U.S. Navy exercise.

8 Dec The 9th Wing commented on planning for a Detachment 4 mission modification.

13 Dec A Busy Relay aircraft switch brought a Detachment 4 SR-71 to Beale AFB.

14-16 Dec Colonel Pugh hosted the annual Detachment Commanders Conference.

17 Dec A Busy Relay aircraft exchange deployed an SR-71 to Detachment 4.

19-20 Dec Mr. Dan McKinnon, Chairman of the Civil Aeronautics Board visited the 9th SRW for a mission orientation and discussions on the Federal Aviation Agency interface.

22 Dec An SR-71 air aborted to Grand Forks AFB, North Dakota.

27 Dec After coordination with the 9th SRW, the 14th Air Division forwarded to Fifteenth AF a reply to a proposed detachment realignment.

29 Dec The 9th SRW deployed an SR-71 to Detachment 4 on a Busy Relay sortie.

30 Dec Headquarters SAC announced the conversion of OL-OF to Detachment 5 effective 1 January 1983.

31 Dec Detachment 4 completed the automation of its supply account.

31 Dec The 9th SRW had assigned totals of 214 officers, 2163 enlisted airmen and 35 civilians. The wing obligated \$2.5 million or 26 percent of the FY83 annual budget.

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